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In re application of : **Confirmation No. 7014**
Akira TANAKA et al. : **Docket No. 2001_1686A**
Serial No. 09/987,383 : **Group Art Unit 2836**
Filed November 14, 2001 : **Examiner D. Nguyen**

**POWER SUPPLY APPARATUS FOR
SUPPLYING ELECTRIC POWER TO
SUBSTRATE CARRIER CONTAINER**

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of October 24, 2002, please amend the above-referenced U.S. patent application as follows:

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Kindly replace the original abstract (page 23) with the enclosed substitute abstract.